

## AGENDA



Thursday, December 6, 2007

**Austin Water Utility  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 7**

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**Subject:** Approve a resolution creating a Citizen's Water Conservation Implementation Task Force to review the water conservation implementation process and recommend changes to water conservation policies and strategies to the Resource Management Commission and City Council.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is not required.

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**Boards and Commission Action:** Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

**Prior Council Action:** The City Council passed Resolution #20070503-029 on May 3, 2007 that adopts the recommendations of the Water Conservation Task Force, and directs the City Manager to return to Council with any council actions necessary to implement the recommendations.

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The City Council approved the water conservation recommendations on May 3, 2007 in accordance with its goal to reduce peak day water use by 1% per year for 10 years. The Water Conservation Strategies Policy Document contained a directive instructing staff to create a Citizen's Water Conservation Advisory Group to meet quarterly to review water conservation implementation efforts and results and to recommend changes or adjustments to water conservation policies and strategies. The Advisory Group, renamed the Citizen's Water Conservation Implementation Task Force, will present its findings and recommendations to the Resource Management Commission and City Council. The Task Force will consist of 13 citizens representing a variety of stakeholder groups as detailed below. The Task Force will be in place for a period of time not to exceed three years. Communities represented on the task force will be as follows:

- Irrigators
- Large Governmental Users
- Large Industrial Users
- Environmental
- Development
- Commercial Property Management
- Restaurants
- Hotels
- 5 At-large